it was only getting back to the original name when they dropped the Mac or Mc.

"The Clan MacDonald appears to date back to Breogan 23rd in descent from Japeth, the son of Noah."

Sister Denny, St. Anthony's Hospital, Amarillo said, "Where do you get this Donnell stuff; in Ireland the O'Donnells were some body, but when they came to this country they forsook the true religion and went to the dogs."

This is another proof that the O'Donnells were Irish and Catholic, while the MacDonalds were Scotch and Presbyterian.

The pronunciation of the name Donnell was mostly pronounced like it was Donald—just plain Donl. Those who get away from home to college and the affairs of the world have called it Don-nell accenting the last syllable. This is much easier said and understood and does not have to be repeated when spoken. To say Donl the tongue must cleave to the roof of the mouth an dmany of them have a 'stoppage of speech' on that account.

This now brings us to consider the family of Capt. William Donnell, leaving the others mostly for some one else to deal with as they see the need of it.

Capt. William was the fourth child of Thomas Donnell and Jane (Latham) Donnell who were supposed to have been married in Pennsylvania, 1737. The Nottingham Colony was established in 1753, hence, 5 of three children were born probably in Pennsylvania, including William. Or, it could have been Maryland where they were born.

Capt. William married, Nancy Jane Denny, daughter of James Denny, Sr., in N. Carolina about 1770.

Children:

William Donnell-1773- N. C.- m, Margaret (Peggy) Foster.
John Donnell 1775- N. C.- m, Elizabeth Davidson
James Donnell- 1776- N. C.- m, Elizabeth
Robert Donnell- m, never married.
Adnah Donnell- m, -died, 9-18-1831.
Lyle Donnell- no record
Josiah Donnell- m, Nancy Thompson.
Peggy Donnell- m, Haley.
Jane Donnell- m, Thomas Davis.

## TO TENNESSEE, THE WILSON COUNTY COLONY

He moved with his family to Wilson County, Tennessee, 1796-1800. He helped organize the Spring Creek Presbyterian Church of which he was a ruling elder. For the first 25 years this was almost a Donnell church. Capt. William settled on or near a large, round hill near the head of Spring Creek and some 8 or more miles from the present town of Lebanon Tennessee.

It seems that he was the big boy of the colony that consisted mostly of Donnells and some Doaks. These names obtain there in abundance to this day. The woods are full of them.

The Donnells that had come from North Carolina to Wilson Co., Tenn., besides Capt. William and his family, were his brother George and two sons sons of Robert Donnell, 2nd, William and Samuel. Samuel was the pastor of the Spring Creek Church from 1802 to 1824. William was the father of two preachers, Robert and Samuel, who helped write the constitution of